

"RING" MAY NOT QUIT SATURDAY

Report Is Transfer to Take Place Tuesday; Many Applicants For Job.

While Saturday has been set for the transfer of the administration affairs from the old "ring" administration to the new Tom Lea administration, it may be Tuesday before the final transfer is made and mayor-elect Lea takes office.

The reason for the delay is given at the city hall as being the delay in completing the final audit of all the books before the transfer is made. This audit has been in progress several weeks and covers the affairs of all the departments, the city officials say. When the final transfer is made the financial affairs will be checked up to the last day and the audit made public at that time. Some of the anti-ring men, however, of the delay is caused by the efforts of the old administration to get as much work completed and keep as many jobs as possible before the new administration takes office.

They point to the work that is being done in removing dirt from one suburban addition to fill in streets of another, the painting of park benches and other work and the general employment of as many city laborers as possible before the new administration takes office.

Many Applications.

While the newly elected administration is waiting to take office, the office seekers are clamoring for the appointive positions which will be at the disposal of the new mayor and incoming city council. There are 25 applicants for chief of police, it is said, although there is but one chief to fill. The position of chief detective, which is now vacant because of the resignation of Jesse Starnes, is being sought by a number of applicants and there are more than 200 police applications already on file. However, it is understood that there will be few changes.

President Had Fine Experience

John R. Thomas, President of Railroad Trainmen's Lodge No. 321

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The following is the statement of Mr. John R. Thomas, who resides at No. 224 Pace Street, McKees Rocks, Pa. Mr. Thomas for the past nine years was secretary and now is the president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen's Lodge, No. 321, and is also the chairman of the Grievance Committee of the P. C. & Y. Railroad, and is one of the best known and respected railroad men in the United States. He said:

"For the past five years I have suffered from stomach trouble; my liver was sluggish and I always had pains in the region of my kidneys; my food fermented in my stomach and would vomit; I was always constipated. I was so sick that at times I was unable to do my work and suffered untold agony from my stomach. I had heard of Plant Juice and tried one bottle of it. I improved from the very first and have now taken it for only a short time and my stomach does not pain me any more. Can eat any kind of food and digest it perfectly; my kidneys are working fine; the pain in my back from my liver and I am not troubled any longer with constipation. I unhesitatingly endorse Plant Juice and gladly recommend it."

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made in the police department except the appointment of a new chief and chief of detectives, except where political activities are known to have been participated in by the policemen. The fire department will be left intact from chief W. W. Armstrong down to the newest basement. It is said as this is considered the most efficient department of the city's affairs and supported as such from the anti-ring platform before election.

Housecleaning at Waterworks.

There will be a wholesale housecleaning at the city waterworks, it is said, and a new superintendent, assistant superintendent and foreman will be appointed. The street cleaning, scavenger and engineering departments will also be changed and new men appointed, it is said. A new city employment agent will be named in place of L. E. Bohr, who was active in the "ring" campaign and will not be reappointed.

No announcements have yet been made of the successors to the "ring" appointive officers and the men who are closest to mayor-elect Lea declare that they have no more idea of his selections than has the general public. Mayor Lea has been in federal court this week and given no attention to the applications which have been filed with him for the different positions.

Thorn Switches Sting Flesh of Man Accused Of Failure To Provide

Somers, Pa., April 15.—A party of men, known as the "thorn switch" party, of Lincoln township, from the residence of his father near here yesterday night, led him into a dense forest and threatened him with thorn switches. The leader of the party, which numbered about 40, told Berndt that the punishment was administered because it was charged that he did not provide for his wife and five children.

Berndt afterward sought warrants for the arrest of the men, many of whom were said to be leading residents of Lincoln township.

Street Car Passengers Stampede Before Flames

Twelve or 15 passengers, dozing comfortably or talking sleepily on an outbound Government Hill street car about 11:30 o'clock Thursday night, experienced a sudden fright. As the car neared Piedras street on Boulevard there was a crash in the immediate vicinity of the motor. A fire broke out and flames spun round like 40 Fourth of July pinwheels, and there was a sizzling like a ton of meat in the barbecue.

A cloud of smoke rolled toward the rear of the car, and so did the passengers. They stampeded. The motorman was right there, too, and motoring fast. Before anyone chanced a leap into the dark, however, the car suddenly stopped. The smoke cleared. The sizzling, as of broken high voltage wires, ceased. The passengers quieted. It was found that the power box over the motorman's head had been burned out and after brief repairs, which held traffic both ways for but a few minutes, the car proceeded.

JAPAN WOULD TAKE AWAY U. S. NEW ZEALAND TRADE

Wellington, New Zealand, April 16.—Trailing that Japan is more entitled to New Zealand's consideration than the United States, a Japanese commission is touring New Zealand making very active efforts to secure business for Japan. One of the members of the commission is a government official.

NATIVE MEXICAN DIES.

Santiago Sanobal, 42 years of age, died at 2121 Magnolia street Thursday morning. He was a native of Mexico and had lived in El Paso for about five years. McBean, Simmons & Harford have charge of the funeral.

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A Vanished American Bird

Not So Long Ago the Passenger Pigeon Darkened Our Skies.

BY GARRETT P. SERVIS.

THE United States once possessed a distinctively American bird, belonging to the great family of the pigeons, but different from all other species of that family, and so remarkable for its vast numbers and its peculiar habits that it became renowned as one of the greatest marvels of the new world. It was called the passenger pigeon. Its singularities marked it off from its distant relatives in the old world as sharply as the American red span was distinguished from the European.

It was so conspicuous a feature of American life that, like the buffalo of the plains, it passed into our literature, where it plays a part unlike that taken by any other bird in any quarter of the world. Other birds have been sung by poets for the beauty of their songs, or their love of man's companionship, or the aspirant ideals which they seem to symbolize. The passenger pigeon forced itself upon the attention of American historians and descriptive writers by the simple countlessness of its hosts. Where they passed they changed the aspect of the landscape; they covered the sky and blotted out the sunlight; they broke

Audubon's calculation of the amount of provender required by the pigeons. One cannot but wonder how the birds succeeded in maintaining themselves in a wild country, but it is explained that they began to eat grain only after the settlers' farms furnished it for them and that their natural food was berries, soft-shelled nuts like hickory nuts, acorns and wild fruits. Their ordinary migrations were simply movements in search of food, and not seasonal changes of residence like those of regular migrant birds. They gathered wherever their natural food



The Passenger Pigeon as It Looked in Life.

down forest trees when they alighted for the night.

Usually observers of the flight of the passenger pigeons abandoned all attempts to count or to estimate their numbers, but we have at least two enumerations made by competent observers which serve to indicate the almost incredible numerical strength of the flying hosts. John James Audubon, the naturalist, computed the number of pigeons in a stream which he saw passing at not less than 1,000,000,000. He calculated that this host must consume 3,200,000 bushels of grain per day. This was not an exceptionally large flight of pigeons for Audubon had often seen them in equally great numbers.

Alexander Wilson, the ornithologist, once saw a flock of passenger pigeons whose aggregate length he calculated at 240 miles, and the number of individuals contained in it at 2,150,125,000, about twice the total human population of the earth at that time. Wilson's estimate of the daily food supply needed for this tremendous host was 17,624,908 bushels of grain, which, it will be noticed, is in good accord with

abandoned at the time and when it was exhausted moved on. Their invasions were as erratic and sudden as those of the Goths and Vandals, and as well calculated to excite astonishment concerning their place of origin.

The region of the great lakes seems to have been a favorite place of congregation for these strange hosts. There they found many of the natural productions on which they relied. But how they ever attained such incredible numbers and what special circumstances favored their development are standing mysteries. The heavy forests and the vast numbers of native berry bushes appear to have nourished them. In Fenimore Cooper's story of "The Pioneers" will be found a thrilling description of a flock of passenger pigeons which "extended from mountain to mountain in one solid blue mass, and the eye looked in vain over the southern hills to find its termination. The front of this living column was distinctly marked by a line, but very slightly indented, as regular and even as the flight." These columns of birds were attacked not only with shotguns but even with small cannon

as Cooper tells in his story, his statements being based upon actual facts. By the middle of the nineteenth century the flocks of passenger pigeons had become very rare. A series of cold winters and springs from 1849 to 1879 is said by a writer in the "Encyclopaedia Americana" to have hastened the disappearance of the birds and now only a few small flocks remain at best and indeed it has been questioned whether a single representative of the genuine old race is in existence. A card of the national association of Audubon societies says: "This bird is now believed to be extinct. Many other valuable species are threatened with a like fate. We are trying to preserve them."

The passenger pigeon, however, in many ways a resemblance to the messenger pigeon, or homing pigeon, of Europe. It was a large bird, much more graceful in form than the ordinary pigeon, and very powerful in flight. The upper parts of the body were of a bluish color, with metallic reflections about the neck. Underneath the color changed to a brownish or reddish purple or violet.

French Airman Who Flew Here Wins Duel in Air and Kills German Flyer

An aviator who flew at Washington park with the International aviators several years ago, is making history as a French flying man in the European war.

He is Roland G. Garros, who piloted a Blériot monoplane at Washington park and who had difficulty in getting back to camp after he had made an ascension on a windy day.

Garros has been doing some wonderful flying feats in the war zone as an aviator attached to a French army. Recently he fought a duel with a German airman and brought him down after the gasoline tank of the German craft had been punctured. The aviator was killed in the fall but Garros escaped unharmed.

SIERRA BLANCA GETS GOOD RAIN; STOCKMEN PLEASED

Sierra Blanca, Texas, April 16.—A good rain fell here last night, which the stockmen say added to already good conditions and bright prospects for a prosperous year.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Mosley have returned from El Paso, where they have been for the past two months with their baby, who has been seriously ill. The little sufferer is now recovered.

Mrs. T. D. Love entertained yesterday from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. in honor of Mrs. Harry Moore, a Miss Llanos, a show war a feature of the afternoon. Mrs. Moore being a bride of a few days. Many beautiful and useful articles were presented.

The Carson Love Co. is adding a large room to its building, which will be used as a storeroom.

W. K. Chiswick is erecting a frame building near the Palace hotel, which he will use as a real estate office.

Mrs. A. Boone is visiting her mother in Bloomington, Ind.

Mrs. W. H. Schrock is visiting relatives in Toyah, Texas.

E. N. Halsted is ill at Hotel Dieu in El Paso.

Sidney Neighbors came up from hot springs and went to El Paso for medical attention.

TEN THOUSAND MINERS RECEIVE WAGE INCREASE

Calumet, Mich., April 15.—Twelve thousand men employed by the Calumet & Hecla Mining company and subsidiary properties, received an increase of 10 cents in wages by an announcement made Thursday. The wage rate in effect prior to the increase of the European war is thereby restored.

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CHARITIES WILL EVENTUALLY GET \$1,000,000 ESTATE

Davenport, Ia., April 15.—By the terms of the will of St. D. Petersen, Davenport merchant and financier, an estate valued at over \$1,000,000 will be eventually distributed among charitable institutions. The wife and children are given a life interest in the estate. At their death it is to be divided among the Masonic charity fund of Iowa, and a number of Davenport institutions.

BANK AT SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, PAYS IN FULL LIQUIDATES

San Marcos, Texas, April 15.—The Citizens' State bank here went into voluntary liquidation Thursday after it was announced checks had been issued to pay depositors in full. An official statement by the bank March 4 showed liabilities of approximately \$10,000.

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The DOCTOR'S ADVICE

by Dr. Lewis Baker

The questions answered below are general in character; the symptoms described are given and the answers will apply in any case of similar nature.

Those wishing further advice from your doctor, Dr. Lewis Baker, College Bridge, College-Ellwood Sts., Dayton, O., enclosing self-addressed stamped envelope for reply, full name and address must be given, but only initials or fictitious name will be used in my answers. The prescriptions can be filled at any well-stocked drug store. Any druggist can order of wholesaler.

sodium salicylate, 4 drams; wine of colchicum, 1 oz.; comp. fluid balsam, 2 oz.; comp. essence cardui, 3 oz.; and syrup scilla, 1 oz. Mix and take a teaspoonful 4 times daily, and again before going to bed.

C. L. asks: "I have tried to cure dandruff, itching scalp, falling hair and baldness with numerous tonics, etc., but in vain. What do you recommend?"

Answer: I have been recommending plain yellow liniment for the scalp several years and given my patients are delighted with the quick, pleasant action of this remedy in stopping itching, falling hair, dandruff, etc. It gives the hair health, lustre and vigor as nothing else does. Obtain in 50c. jars with full directions.

Worried Man writes: "Let me say that my condition puzzles and worries me. In the last year I seem to have been growing old rapidly, though only 25. My food and sleep do not recuperate my strength and energy, and lately I have dizzy spells, trembling, headache, loss of appetite, nervousness and hopelessness. Dependancy and worry over my condition are ever present."

Answer: Cheer up, get well and then conserve your vitality by proper temperance living. Obtain three grain cod-liver oil tablets in sealed tubes with full directions, use them and an agreeable, pleasant restoration should ensue to your entire satisfaction.

M. L. C. R. asks: "Do you think it is possible to reduce my weight from 250 pounds to about 150 pounds?"

Answer: It is impossible to say just how much one can reduce without trying, but 3-grain cod-liver oil tablets should be used according to directions with each sealed tube, desirable at most any drug store. If the diet is unimpaired you should easily reduce as desired.

Mrs. L. E. writes: "What can I do for a bad case of stomach, liver and bowel trouble? My food seems to stagnate, I eat, have heart-burn, and a full, uncomfortable feeling after meals; constipated at intervals, coated tongue and bad breath all the time."

Answer: Thousands of people in this country are afflicted as you are, and to get immediate relief and gradually effect permanent results, I advise you to buy of your druggist a dollar package of "Double-Your-Strength" and "Bowel-Medicine" and use as per directions on the packet.

I. R. O. asks: "I am thin, angular, weak and tired. What can I take to improve my health, strengthen my nerves and increase my weight about 25 pounds?"

Answer: Take regularly with your meals three grain hypo-phosphite tablets, sold in sealed packages, by druggists, with complete directions. These tablets improve the blood, increase nutrition and strengthen the nervous system if used regularly for several months.

Lee writes: "I have tried in many remedies for rheumatism that I am almost afraid to try any more, but if you can tell me a sure remedy I will try it."

Answer: Do not be discouraged because you have not been able to find something that would overcome your rheumatism, for you can be relieved if you will take what I tell you. Get from the druggist: Tablets of potassium, 2 drams;

Answer: Your daughter should begin taking a bottle of "Double-Your-Strength" and "Bowel-Medicine" for such a case. I know of nothing better than "three-grain hypo-phosphite" tablets. Such treatment is also necessary for both catarrh of the bowels and Pelvic Catarrh. A simple but effective antiseptic and curative treatment can be followed at home by buying either a two or eight ounce package of antiseptic Vitane Powder containing complete directions.—Advertisement.

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